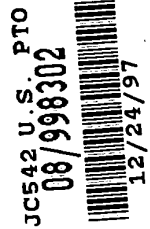


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Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith along with Form PTO-1449 with the exception of "Book of DS19xx Touch Memory Standards," a copy of which was provided in the parent application.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language documents.

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2-185497 appears to disclose an article locating system using a remote transmitter. See Fig. 4.
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 4-268994 appears to disclose an article locating system utilizing a bar code scanner. See Figs. 1 and 2.
3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 56-110193 appears to disclose an article locating system. See Figs. 1-5.

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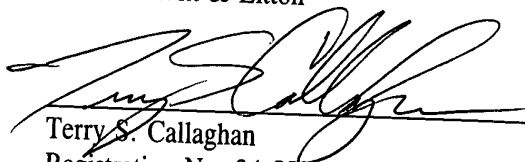
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